GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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OPERATION RATIO
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the operation ratio has improved in comparison to Budget estimates and Revised estimates for 2001- 02;

(b) whether the budgetary allocation for Special Safety Fund has also been enhanced;

(c) whether the Railways is in a position to repay a part of the loan (with interest) taken from the general exchequer;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a): Yes, sir.

(b): The contribution to the Special Railway SafetyFund has been enhanced in 2001-02 from Rs. 1400 cr in the Revised Estimate to Rs. 1453 cr in Actuals (provisional).

(c) & (d): The Railways have repaid, in full, the loan of Rs. 249 cr taken from the General Exchequer in 2000-01, along with interest thereon, in 2001-02.

(e) & (f): Do not arise.